

## CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1           1. (currently amended) A hypodermic syringe comprising:  
2           a hollow body adapted to hold a liquid and having an  
3           axially outwardly open end;  
4           an inner cap fitted over the body end;  
5           an axially extending needle seated in the inner cap and  
6           having an outer point projecting axially outward from the inner cap  
7           and an inner point projecting axially inward from the inner cap  
8           toward the body;  
9           a washer between the inner cap and the body end, having a  
10          central hole into which the inner point of the needle engages, and  
11          provided with a membrane closing the hole and spaced axially inward  
12          from the inner point and out of engagement with the needle;  
13          an outer cap fittable over the inner cap and needle;  
14          a clamp ring engageable around the inner cap;  
15          a frangible web connecting the ring to the outer cap; and  
16          interengaging formations on the ring and on the inner cap  
17          for releasably retaining the outer cap in an outer position spaced  
18          axially outward of the body and in which an interior of the outer  
19          cap is open to the exterior and an inner position spaced axially  
20          closely to the body and in which the interior of the outer cap is  
21          not open to the exterior.

1                   2. (original) The hypodermic syringe defined in claim  
2 1, further comprising  
3                   a liner cup inside the outer cap, receiving the outer  
4 point of the needle, and clamped in the inner position between the  
5 outer cap and the inner cup.

1                   3. (original) The hypodermic syringe defined in claim 2  
2 wherein the liner cup is of rubber.

1                   4. (original) The hypodermic syringe defined in claim 2  
2 wherein the inner cup is formed with a central outwardly extending  
3 projection from which the needle extends axially outward and that  
4 fits snugly in the liner cup in the inner position.

5 - 7. (canceled)